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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: VOLKER ERNST ET AL.  
Serial No.: 09/988,825 Group Art Unit: 1724  
Filed: NOVEMBER 20, 2001 Examiner: Minh Chau Thi PHAM  
Title: SEPARATOR FOR LIQUIDS COMPRISING A SEPARATING  
CARTRIDGE, PARTICULARLY FOR SEPARATING OIL FROM  
CRANKCASE GASES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the period to take action in the above-captioned application be extended by two months pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

A check in the amount of \$410.00 is submitted herewith in payment of the required extension fee. This amount is believed to be correct, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #178/50615). **A duplicate of this letter is attached.**

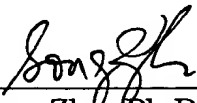
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